

KEEP AWAY FROM THE YUKON.

The Bulletin has received the following from Dawson with a request for its republication:

"The following letter has been carefully prepared by the Yukon Labor Protective and Improvement Union. We would ask all friends of united labor to use their best endeavors to have this letter as broadly circulated as possible on the outside, where it is calculated to do as much good for intended victims who may be inveigled here under false promises as it will do good for those of us who, already here, will not have the market we must use for our labor overruled. Any correspondence upon the subject matter of this letter or kindred subjects will be promptly and cheerfully attended to.

Yours in the name of liberty and honesty,

D. H. DICK, Secretary.

Address all communications to Jea. A. Clarke, vice-president and agent in Dawson.

To the Laboring Wage Workers, Universal, and to the Laboring People of the Pacific Slope in the United States and Canada.

The Labor Protective and Improvement Union of the Yukon extends to you greeting:

In order that no laborer may be misled or deceived into coming to the Yukon territory to work for wages, under contract or otherwise, that would expose him to want or cause the undertaking of the long and expensive trip to this northern country under such conditions as would make his position worse instead of better than he could obtain upon the outside (that is without the Yukon territory), this memorandum is prepared, and the material therein appearing is vouched for by the officers of this Yukon Labor Protective and Improvement Union.

The establishment of a wage of \$5 per day and board by this union, as the going wage for labor in the Yukon, should not deceive anyone who reads the same. Five dollars is established as the minimum wage for the territory, because it is the lowest possible living wage. There are scarcely five per cent of the laborers in this territory who would remain here if that wage for their only inducement, for the following among other reasons:

First—The very greatest length of time in each year that a laborer can hope for employment is nine months and the average is much below that figure. When not working board costs at an average \$25 per week, running from \$20 to \$30 per week, according to the location in which you are forced to stop. While engaged in seeking work the expenses amount up to as high as \$25 per week, in addition to having to walk fifty miles a day, and pack your outfit.

Second—The cost of a laboring man's necessities in the Yukon is far more than the difference of wage in, say, Butte and the Yukon. The following is a short list of prevailing prices varying according to location:

Boots—\$10 to \$12.
Rubber Boots—\$14 to \$20.
Overalls—\$2 to \$3.
Shirts—\$2.50 to \$3.
Tobacco—\$1.50 to \$2 per pound.
Cigars—25 cents to 50 cents each.
Beer—15 to 20 cents per glass.
Whisky, etc.—25 to 50 cents per glass.
Stage fares—50 cents per mile.
Laundry—25c to 50c a piece.
Tools—Picks, \$1 and up; shovels, \$5 and up, etc.

Do not for an single moment imagine that \$5 is easily obtained for 3 day's work; such is not the case. The banks, large mercantile companies and English mining companies all endeavor to obtain men at less than the going wage and as it is only for a short time in the spring—that is the vashup season—that men are scarce, the difficulty in keeping wages up is easily understood.

Then, wages are in the majority of instances paid in gold dust which runs from 50 cents to one dollar and a half less per ounce than what it is taken at, namely \$10 to \$12 per ounce.

Every amusement is more than double outside prices and the comforts of life are entirely absent. Canned goods and bacon, with the staples of life, constitute the food.

Then, if such conditions exist, it may be asked, why do men remain in such a country? The answer is in the majority of instances the same. There are thousands of unprotected placer claims staked on various creeks throughout the Yukon which are called "wildcats," and are owned generally by laborers, who remain here in hopes that their "wildcat" may yet turn out rich enough to enable them to get the same and go out of this rich gold camp with at least a small stake. Nothing like this never-dying hope so characteristic of the miner, would enable the corporations to keep men at work for them on any longer. The time was when mines were worked by the original stakers and \$1 per hour was the going wage, and at that time the ground of Forty-Mile and Circle City was far from being the rich placer of the Klondike. But now, with banks, English capital and grasping shysters as the principal operators of large groups of claims the richest ground is fighting with characteristic capital methods to grind the wages down to less than a living rate, being, apparently, thereby to either enslave the white labor or force it from the country and then resort to Chinese. But the price of foodstuffs is maintained.

Chinese have not yet afflicted this territory and we appeal especially to

our labor friends of British Columbia to strive to keep us from having to fight this additional enemy. We ask that your united influence be used with Ralph Smith, M. P., your own representative, to prevent even a starting of this curse in the Yukon, well knowing as we do that in this case an ounce of prevention is worth the Ottawa house of commons chamber-full of cure.

To the merchant who supply the Klondike with the many thousand dollars worth of luxuries and material used by white men, we appeal for a staying of this Oriental curse, which will, in addition to driving your fellow-countrymen out of a country that his industry has developed and opened up, reduce the prospects and profits of trade in such things as will not be wanted by the Chinese and Japanese, whose sole object will be to live on the poorest food possible and save enough money to again return to his native land, thereby causing want and poverty to us and a great loss of trade to our wholesale suppliers.

The cost of prospecting in this country is so extensive that for those who labor only for a grubstake to prospect with it is necessary to work at least four to eight months in order to be able to go out prospecting for six months.

In short, for a laboring man the Yukon country is a good one to stay away from; for a man with a family, except in specific cases, it is absolutely suicidal to come here, expecting to earn anything at wages for the wife and little ones. The Yukon is naturally intended for wild young men, who wish to escape the restraints of civilization and are willing to endure untold hardships in the hope of ultimately striking a claim that will give enough to enable a start in business in the outside to be undertaken.

We ask the co-operation of all unions in the endeavor to have the Yukon labor problem properly understood. As far as laboring men are concerned, this country has always been overcrowded.

We hope the age is not far distant when the governments of both the United States and Canada will be so composed of friends of honest toil as to prevent injustice to labor such as is still experienced in a degree outside, and in the most extreme manner possible in Yukon, where such conditions of interpretation of common law exist that hundreds upon hundreds of cases exist in which a placer mine has produced much more than sufficient to pay expenses and still remain worth thousands of dollars and still, by a process of preferring claims, working on lays or outright refusal to pay, the wages of the miner is refused; all the while the paternal government exacts a license of \$10 a year for the privilege of having to submit to such treatment. This condition is absolutely unique in the Dominion of Canada so that it may be difficult of comprehension to those of you who have experienced the usual protection given to labor in other parts of the Dominion. Sufficient to say that things have now reached such an unhappy pass that in the matter of the right of the wage earner to seek redress against an employer who defrauds him of his wage a state of absolute anarchy exists in the Yukon.

This condition has become so common an occurrence now as to be almost expected and has been the cause of hundreds of broken hearts and of thousands of disappointed ones on the outside, who expected the husband and father in the Yukon to send enough to prevent want, at least.

The condition of labor in this territory during the past two years has indeed been deplorable and it is ordered to better this condition that this union was formed, and it is in order to assist in this object and protect our fellow workmen on the western coast of America from falling into a like trap that we forward this memorial to you.

Again wishing for the millennium, as far as labor is concerned, to come in our time, we remain,

Yours in brotherhood of man,

H. W. BRACKEN, President.

JOSEPH A. CLARKE, Vice-President.

D. H. DICK, Secretary.

NEXT.

Chicago, Ill., July 12.—Servant girls and working women generally have taken the preliminary steps for the formation of the union they have been wishing for so long. Last night the Working Women's Union of America was organized under the direction of the International Union Labor League.

Mrs. J. Louchridge, president of the Woman's International Union Labor League, said: "One of our prime objects will be to gain respect for household employees. Girls should not be compelled to work from 16 to 20 hours a day, but should have set hours and time off for amusement and recreation, the same as women employed in other occupations. We intend to show house wives that the quality of their service will be improved by giving their help more time for rest."

N. Donbay, a Russian Cossack, who is engaged in the task of walking around the world, arrived in Montreal, recently. In an interview he said: "I commenced my attempt to get around the world on foot away back in 1892, starting from my home on the slopes

of the Caucasian Mountains in that year. I have since plodded through Central Asia, Siberia, Manchuria, Corea, Japan, India, Afghanistan, Persia, Arabia, Turkey and Southern Europe, including also Malta. Leaving London I tramped through England to Glasgow, and then I crossed the channel to Belfast. I afterwards walked to Dublin, and then to Cork taking passage from that city to Liverpool, and sailing from that city to Canada on the ill-fated Lusitania, which was lost off the coast of Newfoundland. After I was landed from the wreck I was conveyed to Quebec by rail and steamship, and then spirited on my walk to Montreal, making the journey in six days. After leaving Montreal I will walk to New York, and thence across the continent to San Francisco. Australia must then be visited before I complete my journey."

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FARMING.

The crops are looking fine, but fully 10 days later than last year, with the weeds flourishing in good style.

The "Starvation River Cemetery Co." intend soon to put a good wire fence around their lot, but cannot do so without money. Cannot those yet owing for their plots settle with the secretary-treasurer at once?

The Methodist congregation are about to erect sheds on their grounds for the use of their teams, wheat at meeting. Try and help them along boys.

The Hon. Peter Lang leaves tomorrow morning for his home in Gladstone, Mich., after spending "three weeks at his brother-in-law's, J. A. Caron's. While here Mr. Lang drove around the country and was more than pleased with the prospects of the country and the general appearance of a bountiful harvest and wonders that more people do not flock into such a land of promise. He visited many of the leading business houses in Edmonton and was astonished at the enormous stocks carried by the different merchants, and feels sure in predicting that Edmonton will in the near future become a rival of Winnipeg in trade, and has all the natural advantages of becoming a great city.

TURNIP LAKE.

This district is not suffering from drought. The repeated electric hail and rain storms of late have brought about a modified deluge, but as yet the crops are looking splendid. Wheat is somewhat backward, but is heading out nicely. Some oat heads are also showing. The hail has so far been almost if not entirely harmless in this district.

The roads are in a dreadful state. Traffic is largely suspended. Finally the roads are still undrained. Last summer a surveyor visited this pond once or twice, and drove a few stakes for some purpose. This summer, some time ago, he repeated his former performance. This is all very well and probably necessary, but what farmers north want is a drain, even if the surveyor never visits the scene again.

Rev. Mr. Haghighi, of Edmonton, assistant to Rev. Mr. Buchanan, has been making pastoral calls throughout this district this week. This station will be in charge of the Edmonton Methodist pastors for the summer. Owing to the unavoidable absence of some of our footballers, our team was unable to meet the Poplar lake team at their picnic on Wednesday last.

Messrs. Abbott and Pringle are at the Vermilion making improvements on homesteads for which they have entered there.

Considerable ditching has been done in various parts of the district this summer. Still more is badly needed. Hay will be scarce this year, owing to water, but if the weather clears soon a large amount may yet be saved.

W. Stanton is building a house on his land. He has completed other considerable improvements in the way of fencing, clearing and breaking. Mr. Stanton, evidently like many others of us, has faith in this country. Mr. Wm. Horricks is also making big improvements on his place, and increasing the area of his cultivation. Each of these gentlemen owns a whole section of land.

July 20th, 1901.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Thursday.

Alberta—O. Constantine, Fort Saskatchewan; Thos. Kerr, Vermilion; Joseph R. Miller, Montreal; W. B. Fairfield, M. Healy, Winnipeg; J. W. Clarke, Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. Engel, town.

Queen's—E. Knowlton, Edna; Clement Paul, Peace river; Mrs. Teller, Morinville; Mrs. Coriveau, Fort Saskatchewan; J. Spencer, Stony Plain; E. Sadler, town; Albert Teller, Morinville; Rev. J. C. Wace, New Lunnun; J. P. Hyde, Blaine; W. Wash; Thos. A. Hyde, Whetcom; O. F. Rivet, N. Dak.; Dan Maloney, St. Albert; Sam Moran, town.

McCaig—Jan. Dambrowski, St. R. P. McCaig, Stony Plain; John Workman, S. W. Calvert, St. R.

Friday.

Alberta—A. L. Crone, Oak lake; Geo. H. Stewart, Winnipeg; G. W. Clark, Calgary.

Queen's—Emma Anderson, Wetaskiwin; John Paddock, Gulph, Ont.; Mrs. Geo. Ferguson, L. Charbonneau, Fort Saskatchewan; A. J. Evans, Calgary.

Jasper—John Cameron, town; James McGillivray, H. Kirk, town.

Victoria—Rev. J. C. Wace, New Lunnun; J. Brandon, H. W. Howe; E. W. Howe, E. W. Jamieson, Wm. McKenzie, Big lake; J. Cousineau, St. Albert.

Alberta—F. A. Cuddy, G. Batho, Winnipeg; W. P. Bayes, St. Louis, Mo.; A. E. Thomas, B. McEvoy, Toronto; C. S. Lott, Calgary; G. M. Annable, Moose Jaw; J. Fletcher, Ottawa; A. Mackay, Indian Head; M. Williams, Regina; G. Bayno, J. W. Morris, Fort Saskatchewan.

Queen's—S. A. Beutley, Raff lake; A. Teller, Morinville; E. Clark, Fort Saskatchewan; Jasper—S. Emerson, Chipewyan; J. Cameron, H. M. Bray, J. Golden, S. Fraser, town; H. Gray, Strathcona.

So Soobell's column surprised and captured Schepers' larger at Camdoo, July 14, taking 31 prisoners and capturing a quantity of ammunition and stores.

LOCAL.

—Mrs. J. A. Powell expects to leave tomorrow for Banff.

—C. E. Lott, of Calgary, came in Saturday, returning south this morning.

—An ice cream social will be given at the Salvation Army barracks tomorrow night.

—The new sidewalk from Jasper and McKay avenues is completed except for one crossing.

—A new crossing has been put in on the west side of Fraser Avenue at the Eclipse stable corner.

—The Industrial exhibition directors have decided to throw Riverside park open to the public every Sunday during the summer months.

—J. W. Shira, & Co. have secured the contract from the government for the supply of beef and butter to the N. W. M. P. division at the Fort.

—John A. C. Cameron has been appointed timber inspector in the place of John Coleman, on leave, who filled the duties of both timber and home-stead inspector.

—Jas. Fletcher, Dominion entomologist, and Angus McKay, of the Indian Head experimental farm, came in Saturday. They speak at Lodge tonight.

—A contract is being called for for clearing and grading the road on the base line, Stony Plain, between McPherson's and D. Brox. Specifications may be seen at John A. McPherson's, Spruce Grove, and M. McCauley's, Edmonton.

—The donations during June to the public hospital were: Mrs. Hutchings, Poplar lake, rhubarb; Mrs. C. Pratt, Spruce Grove, bread, cake, flowers and rhubarb; Mrs. Stennett, vegetables; Mrs. Hill, Strathcona, books; Holy Trinity church, Strathcona, flowers.

—The gross proceeds of the booth run under the auspices of the public hospital during the fair amounted to \$609.90. The ladies wish to most heartily thank all who assisted in any way in connection with the booth. A number of unclaimed dishes await owners at the fire hall.

—A large slide occurred yesterday on the old road going down the hill east of Robertson hall. Another recent slide on the grade near the old ferry landing has left a hard road for a rig to pass and made a very dangerous dump for anyone travelling at night.

—A new drain or culvert is being constructed across main street from Garripy & Brosseau's corner to Bellamy's for the purpose of carrying off to the river part of the water from the north side of main street and lightening the volume of water which has been overflowing the ditches of late.

—Bernard McEvoy, a well known journalist, arrived on Saturday's delayed train to spend a few days here on his way to the Pacific coast. Mr. McEvoy has been on the editorial staff of the Mail Empire for many years and is one of the cleverest of writers among Canadian journalists, as his letters in the eastern press, descriptive of his present trip, now show. He represents, on his present trip, a number of English publications as well as the Toronto Mail-Empire in which his letters appear. Being interested in good literature Mr. McEvoy is introducing the Monthly Review, a leading English publication represented in Canada by Geo. N. Morang & Co., the well known publishers of Toronto. Mr. McEvoy is at the Alberta.

The columns of the Boer invaders commanded by Major Lategan, Breed and Smith, while marching on Victoria West came in contact with the British forces under Coles, Haig and Rigorne at Vanrenon, Zurburg. The Boers escaped by abandoning a large number of young and untrained horses.

Replying to a question in the house of commons on July 16th, secretary of war Brodrick said that the statement printed by the News yesterday to the effect that Lord Kitchener had advised the government it was not possible to winter the greater part of the infantry from South Africa, and that the government was considering the question of replacing the infantry with mounted men, who would act as a police force along railway lines, was wholly unauthorized and incorrect.

In the next few days about 6,000 horses will be sent to the British army in the English army in South Africa. It will require nearly 550 men to handle these horses during the voyage across the ocean. The Monarch sailed today with 1,100 horses and 80 men to handle them. The Michigan will sail Wednesday with 1,100 more horses. The Kelvin Grove, another transport, will take on board 900 horses, the Amynter about 1,000 and the Mount Royal 2,000 horses. During the next two weeks there will be another 1,000 horses shipped.

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SUPREME COURT.

The sitting of the supreme court ends today as Mr. Justice McGuire has to leave in the morning to attend the sittings of the court on base at Regina. Only a few of the many cases on the docket have been disposed of. Those taken up were criminal matters. All of the civil list as well as many of the criminal cases are left over.

On Friday afternoon Jack Sewell, for resisting arrest and stabbing Sgt. Aston, was given six months at the Fort.

Alphonse Delorme, as mentioned on Friday, was given two months at the Fort. He pleaded guilty.

In the King vs. Irvine the accused was charged with assault on a Galician on the highway. Irvine, with two companions, set on, humiliated and robbed three Galicians. Irvine was given six months at the Fort.

The King vs. Albert Teller is on today. The charge is for killing a cow, the property of Frederick Duchesneau, of Egg lake. C. McW. MacDonald for prosecution and C. W. Cross for accused.

IN THE RAILWAY CAMP.

To the query of when he would have the line completed, Malcolm McCrimmon, contractor for the railroad extension into Edmonton, shrugged his shoulders and intimated that the elements would have more to say about that than he would. Good weather was all he wanted, and good weather was what he wasn't having. Two out of the three big storms which have fallen of late hit McCrimmon's camp and played havoc with it. The horses working on the dumps ran away and the rain washed out the newly made embankments. The rain interferes with the work and causes the big gang of laborers to lay up on their tents for many days out of the week. Notwithstanding all these drawbacks the contractor has not been idle, as a walk over the dump shows, and it was quite a promenade yesterday, though not exactly an inviting or pleasant one. There is a little too much climbing up and sliding down, interspersed with a surfeit of Mill Creek mud, to make it a favorite resort just now. From the C. & E. railway line a mile south of Strathcona may be seen the tents of the railway camp, lying a mile away to the east among the groves on the western bank of Mill Creek. It is at this camp where the work is in full swing, that is when the weather permits. The first work is on the curve where the line, which has run due east from the track, bends to the north and commences its descent into the valley of the creek. A few furrows torn out of the fertile soil is the first evidence of grading work. Then, but a few feet farther on, the grading proper is in view. Here McCrimmon's men are busy re-modelling the face of nature to suit the requirements of Mackenzie & Mann. Though they have added to its usefulness they have not improved the appearance of nature's plan. Where once were lofty banks covered with bright and heavy growth there now run ugly scars. In gulches where the winding creek was wont to bed and rest among a mass of foliage intertwined there now are heaped great piles of clay. The grass and the greenness is gone and clay remains—nothing but sticky, unsightly clay.

Here a view of the work shows the difficulties that the contractor has to contend with and goes far to prove the correctness of Sir Sanford Fleming's statement—that the getting in and out of the Saskatchewan river would be the greatest difficulty a railroad would have to encounter on a transcontinental survey through the Yellowhead pass. The line is a series of high heights and deep hollows following a valley that is serpentine in its course. It is a succession of deep cuts and heavy fills. Twice within a distance of 100 yards the creek has been diverted to prevent its waters washing away the newly built embankment, and another diversion will yet have to be made farther down. Then when the line crosses Mill Creek treacherous bridges will have to be built, some four or five of them.

About the centre of the stretch on which grading is being carried on is located the railway camp—a little canvas village. Besides the tents of the men there is a forge erected and a big eating tent and a rough board kitchen adjoining. Here the food for the sixty men at work on the grade is prepared and served.

The work on the grade extends for a mile, but is not continuous. Isolated gangs of men at different points have been busy in the side hills and dumped clay in the hollows. Some places dump carts are being used and in others wheel scrapers. Others, which are not yet accessible to horses are being worked at with the never-failing pick and shovel. The Galician is largely in evidence. Farther on, yet, past where the grading ends, other men are at work cutting down and burning trees which obstruct the right of way and which in that particular spot are tamaracs of no mean size.

On the southern end of the bridge the contract of cutting the timber off has been let to O. Bush, of Strathcona, and a gang of men is at work cutting southward to connect with the gang working northward. They will be through in a short time and will then be put to work cutting out the right of way on the Edmonton side

of the river, and clearing the ground at the station site.

Ninety men and about twenty-five teams are at work. Probably before the contract is completed double that number of both men and horses will be working on the job.

POPULAR LAKE.

A picnic in aid of the Edmonton public hospital was held in the school grounds last Wednesday and considering the state of the roads, we had a good meeting, in fact it must be called a success from every point of view. The ladies of the district must be congratulated on their success, and deserve the appreciation of the whole community for their endeavors to help such a charitable institution. The proceeds amounted to about \$40.

I learn there is another picnic in aid of the new Presbyterian church in prospect, to be held on the 1st of August. The ladies of the congregation are resolved to make this the event of the season, and from the success attending former efforts I have no doubt they will have a good time. Games of various kinds will be provided. Dinner will be served at one o'clock, and tea at six. One feature of the entertainment will be a foot race between representatives of Canada and the United States. At the last picnic the Yankee got first place but his opponent expects on the 1st of August to make him take a second position.

The weather is anything but suitable for making hay, but crops of all kinds are looking well. The storm of Thursday evening killed a valuable horse belonging to T. G. Hutchings. He was close by a wire fence and was struck by lightning.

The Little Mountain Cemetery Co. are to be complimented on the excellent fence they have put around the grounds.

A ploughing 'ee as Mr. McDonald's turned over 29 acres last Wednesday. A. Hutchings and K. A. McLeod, of Edmonton, are draining their meadows on section 34. This will be a certain improvement to the roads.

Talking of roads can nothing be done to improve the same. A great deal of voluntary labor has been spent already this season to improve them, the Fort Saskatchewan trail being graded from Belmont school house to Rat Creek. With a few culverts this might be made a good road.
July 20, 1901.

The government is forming a committee of women to visit the refugee camp in South Africa and give the mortality for all the camps in June as 63 men, 138 women and 570 children, out of a total of 14,624 men, 24,711 women and 43,075 children.

An official despatch to the war office from Pretoria, announcing the arrival there of Mrs. Schalkbarger, intimated that she was conveying despatches through the British lines for the Boers. The fact that she was so speedily taken to the British headquarters in Pretoria gives the impression here that this report is correct and that she is under arrest as a spy. She is the first woman spy of prominence in the Boer war.

METEOROLOGICAL.

	Max.	Min.	Rain.
Friday,	67	52	1.80
Saturday,	72	52	.21
Sunday,	72	52	.03
Monday,	72	56	

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Two unfurnished rooms centrally located, five minutes walk from Post Office. Apply at Bulletin 65-4.

LOST, \$20 REWARD.

From the premises of the undersigned, nine weeks ago, the following horses: one cream horse branded D on jaw, and one bay horse branded J on shoulder, while collar fall on shoulder and while spot on belly, had halter and rope on; one brown mare branded S I, on high hip, nose cut, Albany brand for return.

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A large, well-finished dwelling, and two lots in the west end. Good stable and other buildings.

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Plums, Peaches, Apples
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For preserving. If you need any do not delay as the season is nearly over.

We are receiving Fresh California Fruit by every train.

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Clearing Sale

—AT THE—
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Shirt Waists!

Shirt Waists!

On Saturday, July 20th, every Shirt Waist we have in stock will be put on our bargain counter at prices which have never before been seen in Edmonton, and which we believe cannot be met by any competitor.

We are not clearing out old stock. We have no old stock in Shirt Waists. All goods offered are 1901 goods—the very newest, most fashionable and up-to-date productions of the best makers. The greater part of the White Waists offered, and some of the Colored, have been received within the last eight weeks.

Nevertheless all are going at prices which will cause any previous clearing sale held in Edmonton to dwindle into insignificance. We intend this 20th July to be known hereafter as

Shirt Waist Saturday...

Owing to the fact that the manufacturers were not able to get these white goods in time for the very early trade, we only managed to bring into stock at a heavy discount, and consequently we can sell at what the same goods would cost any other merchant. We still make a handsome profit.

But we don't want profit in this case; we want to clear the goods out, and avoid having any old stock to offer next season. Consequently we are giving the public the benefit, and these values will not be met by anybody else without going far below cost.

Here are a few of the values offered:

(Remember all are fresh, new goods, no back numbers)

Good Plain Waists, beautifully made, good patterns at 45c and 50c.

Dark Blues, and Reds, very popular patterns, worth \$1, for 60c.

Fine Gingham, dainty stripes, pretty shades, for 75c.

Better Gingham, handsome stripes, cheap at \$1.25, for 90c.

Handsome Black and White or Colored Stripes, trimmed with insertion, worth \$1.20 to \$1.75 for 80c.

In White Shirt Waists we will offer

Fine Cambric, tucked and pleated, - worth \$1.25 for 80c.

" " finely tucked, - worth 1.50 for 80c.

" " hemstitched, very dainty, - worth 1.75 for 80c.

" " tucks and insertion, - worth 1.75 for 80c.

" " all-over tucking, - worth 2.00 for 80c.

Swiss Muslin with dots, - worth 2.00 for 80c.

Pique, with handsome Insertion, - worth 2.00 for 80c.

Fine Cambric, all-over embroidery Basque, worth 2.25 for 80c.

Striped Spot Muslin, very dainty, too cheap at 2.25 for 80c.

Cambric, richly trimmed with all-over Embroidery and Lace, cheap at \$3.00, Sale price 2.50.

Remember, These Are All New, Up-to-date Goods.

We will also offer at equally attractive prices the remainder of our stock of Summer Skirts, Muslins, Dimities, etc.; also a few especially attractive bargains in Ladies' Kid Boots and Oxford Shoes.

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